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THE BULLETIN BOARD

The Massachusetts Department of Revenue has approved the town's FY2010 tax rates at; **Residential \$10.97/1,000**

and

Commercial, Industrial & Personal Property \$17.80/1,000

. The FY2010 assessed values are now available through the *On-Line Database*

link on the right side of this page.

The Board of Selectmen have voted to adopt a [Residential Exemption](#) of \$162,904 in assessed value or \$1,787.06 in real estate taxes for eligible taxpayers.

Fiscal Year 2010 4th quarter tax bills are due and payable by May 3, 2010 without incurring interest. Taxpayers wishing to file an appeal of their FY2010 tax bill must have submitted an application for abatement with Board of Assessors by February 1, 2010. The Assessors have 3 months from the date of filing to act on each application. Without a timely filed abatement application any changes in assessed values will apply to fiscal year 2011 tax bills. FY2010 assessments were determined based on a valuation date of January 1, 2009. Changes in market conditions subsequent to the valuation date may not be reflected in the assessed value.

As part of the FY2010 Tax Classification Hearing the Board of Assessors presented information on the valuation of all property classes and the impact of the various tax rate options. To view or download a copy of the Assessor's presentation click on this [link](#).

Applications for statutory exemptions can be filed by March 29, 2010.

Fiscal Year 2011 Personal Property Tax Returns (State Tax Form 2) were due by March 1, 2010 without an extension.

The Fiscal Year 2009 Tax Rates were:

Residential \$10.69/1,000

Commercial, Industrial, & Personal Property \$17.32/1,000

For FY2009 the Board of Selectmen adopted a residential exemption for qualified taxpayers of

\$162,923 in value, or \$1,741.65 in taxes.

The Assessor's Office is responsible for administering the property tax and motor vehicle excise tax for the Town of Brookline. The property tax includes real estate and tangible personal property accounts. Assessed values are subject to triennial review and certification by the [Department of Revenue](#)

. The Assessors grant all statutory exemptions and act on all abatement applications. The Assessors are responsible for defending all appeals made to the Appellate Tax Board. The Assessors administer all special assessments under qualifying farm and forest management and open space preservation programs. Assessments in Massachusetts are based on full and fair cash value as of January 1. The Brookline Assessors use modern mass-appraisal techniques and data standards defined in Standard 6 of the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice ([USPAP](#)) of the Appraisal Foundation and valuation standards defined by the International Association of Assessing Officers ([IAAO](#)).